AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 7, paragraph 3, please amend as follows:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1A shows a CLUSTAL W (1.8) alignment of *Arabidopsis* (truncated to the ChloroP predicted transit peptide) (~~SEQ ID NO.: 7~~ SEQ ID NO.: 8) and *E. coli* peptide deformylase proteins (~~SEQ ID NO.: 8~~ SEQ ID NO.: 7).